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## Pennsylvania Egg Production Up 8 Percent in May

HARRISBURG, PA – June 23, 2010 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during May 2010 totaled 587 million eggs, up eight percent from the 544 million eggs produced in May 2009, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 23.5 million during May, a five percent increase from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,494 eggs during the month, an increase of 72 eggs overall from May 2009. Broiler-type chicks hatched in Pennsylvania totaled 13.7 million during May 2010, down four percent from the same month last year.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.69 billion during May 2010, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.58 billion table eggs, and 1.11 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.04 billion were broiler-type and 73 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2010 averaged 338 million, up slightly from last year. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,276 eggs, up 20 eggs from May 2009.

Egg-type chicks hatched during May 2010 totaled 43.1 million, up six percent from May 2009. Broiler-type chicks hatched during May 2010 totaled 798 million, up one percent from May 2009. There were 24.0 million net poults placed during May 2010 in the United States, up five percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

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